

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY RESOURCES

NOTICE OF STAKEHOLDER MEETING

TO: Department of Public Utilities' official service list

Via Email and First Class Mail

FROM: Laura C. Bickel, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities

Rob Sydney, General Counsel, Department of Energy Resources

DATE: October 22, 2008

RE: Long-Term Contracts for Renewable Energy, D.P.U. 08-88

Notice of Stakeholder Meeting on Wednesday, November 5, 2008

CC: Mary Cottrell, Secretary

On July 2, 2008, Governor Patrick signed into law Chapter 169 of the Acts of 2008, an Act Relative to Green Communities ("Green Communities Act"). The Green Communities Act requires the Department of Public Utilities ("DPU") and the Department of Energy Resources ("DOER") to each adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement provisions relating to long-term contracts for renewable energy. St. 2008, c. 169, § 83. To assist with the development of these rules and regulations, DPU and DOER will hold a stakeholder meeting to engage interested persons in a discussion of the issues associated with implementing the long-term contract provisions for renewable energy from the Green Communities Act. This stakeholder meeting will be followed by DPU and DOER rulemakings conducted pursuant to G.L. c. 30A, § 2 and 220 C.M.R. § 2.05.

The stakeholder meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 5, 2008, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at Leverett Saltonstall Building, 100 Cambridge Street, 2nd Floor, Boston, Massachusetts. An agenda will soon be available on DPU's website: http://www.mass.gov/dpu. Any person interested in commenting on the issues may participate at the stakeholder meeting or submit written comments to DPU no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on November 5, 2008. Reply comments, if any, must be submitted no

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One original of all documents should be filed with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, (continued...)

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later than November 19, 2008. There will be opportunity for interested persons to comment on proposed regulations in the subsequent rulemakings. Documents will be available for public inspection at DPU's offices during business hours. Also, copies of documents that are filed electronically will be available on DPU's website.

For further information regarding this notice, please contact Laura C. Bickel, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at (617) 305-3588 or Rob Sydney, Department of Energy Resources, at (617) 626-7333.

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Department of Public Utilities, One South Station - 2nd Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110 and one (1) copy to Rob Sydney, General Counsel, Department of Energy Resources at 100 Cambridge Street, 2nd Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02114. Written comments must include complete contact information (e.g., name, title, company name, business address, telephone, fax, and email address) for each participant. In addition, all documents filed in this docket should be submitted to the DPU in electronic format: (1) by e-mail attachment to dpu.efiling@state.ma.us and the hearing officer [Laura.Bickel@state.ma.us]; or (2) on a 3.5" disk or CD-ROM. The text of the e-mail, disk label, or CD-ROM must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 08-88); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The electronic filing should also include the name, title, and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be created in either Corel WordPerfect, Microsoft Word, or Adobe Acrobat (version 7 or higher). Data or spreadsheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel (version 2000). DPU strongly encourages filers to avoid submitting scanned files but will accept them for posting when an alternative version does not exist in electronic format.